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For: METHOD OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF DRUGS WITH BINDING AFFINITY FOR PLASMA PROTEIN AND PREPARATION TO BE USED IN THE METHOD

**Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the office Action of March 10, 2003 and the restriction and election requirements set forth therein, applicants hereby elect the invention of Group XV, claims 14 to 29, directed to a composition and method thereof wherein the composition comprises a first drug and a second drug, wherein the second drug is verapamil, and elect as a single species for search purposes "N-isopropyl-p-idoamphetamine (IMP)" for the first drug and "123-iodine (<sup>123</sup>I)" for the nuclide.

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